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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: TBA

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Examiner: TBA

Serial No.: 10/587,265

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For: ABSORBING ARTICLE WITH ZONES OF DIFFERENT SURFACE PROPERTIES

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This second preliminary amendment is being filed concurrently with a Response to Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US).

Prior to initial examination, please amend the captioned application as set forth herein.